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TOPIC <u>Polish Army Troops and Border Guard Troops in the former Ulanen Kaserne in Gleiwitz (Gliwice)</u>	25X1	
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1. Prior to November 1953, the former Ulanen Kaserne in Gleiwitz (Q 51/Y 37) included two billeting sections which quartered different type troops. Prior to the fall of 1953, the old billeting section which was built prior to World War I and included an old barracks and three reconstructed former stables, was occupied by Polish border guard troops. Numerous soldiers wearing green service color were observed in this section. It was known that these troops were called WOPs. After 1951 or 1952, four large buildings were built in the area just north or northeast of the old barracks installation. One of the buildings was built as a headquarters building, while the two other buildings were definitely used as troop billets. From 1952 to late in the fall of 1953, this new section of the installation quartered Polish signal troops who wore khaki uniforms with red service color. The men were young soldiers on active military service. The troops had telephone and radio equipment and were frequently observed leaving the installation toward Richtersdorf (Q 51/Y 37) for field training. Some units were also observed constructing telephone lines on Rybniker Strasse.¹
2. In 1951 and 1952, two side wings were attached to the broadcasting building of the former German radio station just southwest of the former Ulanen Kaserne. Prior to the fall of 1953, it was known that the area of the former broadcasting station was used for military purposes.²
3. Since 1951, all civilians had been evacuated from the residential area between the former Ulanen Kaserne and the former Infanterie Kaserne northwest of the former site, and the area around the former Lettow Vorbeck Strasse, Windhuk Strasse and Peters Strasse. Prior to the fall of 1953, a billeting area for Polish Army officers was observed there. Officers observed in this area wore red service color.³

1. Comment. The WOP brigade in Gleiwitz is known. The signal unit which is mentioned in the present report is possibly the corps signal battalion of the Gleiwitz Rifle Corps.

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2. Comment. The headquarters of Corps Gleiwitz is known to be in the former broadcasting building.

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